GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
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Employment Opportunities in Foreign Countries
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Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is running/proposes to have any special schemes to train youth keeping in view the employment opportunities in foreign countries;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is preparing any scheme for their training at par with standards in foreign countries;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government has made any collaboration with any foreign institutions to improve skill development schemes and for making the training programmes of standards of foreign institutions to compete with them; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard to the above?

Answer

(a) to (d) Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) is in consultation with Ministry of Overseas Indian Affairs (MOIA) for collaboration to provide skill training for Indians who seek to migrate overseas. This Ministry has also drafted a new Scheme entitled 'Pravasi Kaushal Vikas Yojana' which aims to provide pre departure orientation training programmes and language training course for potential migrants.

(e) and (f) MSDE is partnering with UK counterparts under the UK India Education and Research Initiative (UKIERI). Under this initiative, Sector Skills Councils are working with UK organisations to ensure international equivalence of training standards. National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) under Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) is also working with institutions in Canada and Australia to ensure that skill training in specific job roles is aligned to standards in these countries.